

CALL FOR A MEETING SOON TO BE ISSUED

Formation of Georgetown Business Men's Association.

Views Expressed by Representative Dealers of That Section.

Funeral of Mrs. Eliza Margaret Dunlop—Dances at the Litchfield Institute—Other Notes.

The proposed formation of a business men's association for Georgetown is gaining ground and there has been a lively interest displayed on the part of prominent merchants. Arrangements are being perfected for issuing a call for a meeting some time this week, and it is anticipated by those who are interested in the movement that it will be largely attended.

Robert Tenny, of the firm of William H. Tenny & Sons, said this morning to Times reporter that he is in favor of the movement and that much good would undoubtedly come from such an organization in the West End. He further said that he is willing to co-operate with the association and will use his best efforts to get the association started on a substantial footing.

Henry G. Wagner said: "The proposed association, if properly started and backed by some of the representative men of Georgetown, will result in a considerable advancement to Georgetown's interests. There are to my knowledge a number of improvements which ought to be attended to at once and the only way to bring them about is to organize such an association as the one proposed. I am willing to lend my support to the movement."

W. W. Offutt said: "Several years ago Georgetown had a citizens' association. The organization existed at a time when such associations were popular throughout the District, and at that time much good was accomplished for Georgetown. But within the past few years the interest in these representative associations has died out. Now there seems to be a general revival in making improvements in the front and it seems to be the proper time to organize a representative body of citizens who will actively and aggressively interest themselves in promoting the interests of this section of the city."

Said George Butler, of the firm of Cropley & Butler: "The association, if properly organized under the direction of some substantial business men, will fill a long-felt need in this section of the city. The associations of the other sections of the District have done much for their respective parts of the city, while Georgetown has been at a standstill in this respect. Something ought to be done immediately and I think that the proposed association is a move in the right direction."

B. F. Wadley said: "The proposed association is a good thing and I am willing to co-operate with it. I think that the interest of Georgetown have been more or less neglected for several years past and while I do not believe in taking money which is due to other parts of the city, I think that more should be expended in this section of Washington."

M. Greenbaum said: "The association which The Times advocates ought to be materially advanced the interests of Georgetown. Good men seem to be behind the movement and there is no reason why several items in the line of street improvements and the much-needed bridges across Rock Creek cannot be brought to the attention of the Commissioners in such a way as to secure definite action."

The funeral of the late Mrs. Eliza Margaret Dunlop, whose death occurred suddenly on Saturday at her home near Chevy Chase, was held this morning at 11:30 o'clock from Oak Hill Chapel. Interment was made at Oak Hill Cemetery. Mrs. Dunlop was enjoying good health up to the time of her death, which resulted from heart failure. Mrs. Dunlop was the daughter of the late Joseph H. Bradley. She was the wife of George Dunlop and was related by marriage to the late T. Dunlop, president of the Capital Traction Company, and to William L. Dunlop, a lawyer residing at 2014 N Street.

In Trinity Church yesterday prayer was offered for the repose of the soul of the late Mrs. Dunlop, who was buried in the same vault as her husband. The funeral was held at 11:30 o'clock from Oak Hill Chapel. Interment was made at Oak Hill Cemetery. Mrs. Dunlop was enjoying good health up to the time of her death, which resulted from heart failure. Mrs. Dunlop was the daughter of the late Joseph H. Bradley. She was the wife of George Dunlop and was related by marriage to the late T. Dunlop, president of the Capital Traction Company, and to William L. Dunlop, a lawyer residing at 2014 N Street.

Charles Gates was arrested yesterday by Sergeant Bradley, of the police, for the complaint in the case, Clara Clark, left his horse hitched Saturday night in front of the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Van Horn, who lives on the Canal Road, near the Aqueduct Bridge, and while in the house Gates is alleged to have stolen the blanket which had been thrown over the horse and a part of the harness.

The next dance of the Georgetown Assembly will be given Thursday, the 26th, at Litchfield Hall, commencing at 8 o'clock and continuing until midnight. The Ladies' German Club of Georgetown will give their next German on Thursday at Litchfield Hall.

Thomas Sheaffer, of the District Volunteer Regiment, is again confined to his home with an attack of intermittent fever, which he contracted while with the army in Cuba. Private Sheaffer has been ill several times since his return from the war.

Charles Volman, the butcher, is ill at his home on the Conduit Road with an attack of grip.

LOOKING FOR THE PAUL JONES.

A Revenue Cutter to Search for the Missing Yacht.

Captain Schoemaker, of the Revenue Cutter Service, received an official dispatch this morning stating that the yacht launch Paul Jones, which left Louisville for a trip down the Mississippi River and around the Gulf of Mexico, with a distinguished party of tourists, had not been heard from since leaving the mouth of the Mississippi. Captain Schoemaker, at the request of Senator Fairbanks, has ordered the revenue cutter Winona, now at Mobile, to make a patrol along the coast between Port Eads and Pensacola, in hopes of locating the yacht. He also instructed the revenue collectors between these two points to keep a sharp lookout for the missing vessel.

The Paul Jones left Louisville during December, carrying as passengers Col. Harry Yocum and daughter, of St. Louis; Miss Woodland, of Chicago; Miss Margaret, and a crew of four men. It was the intention of the party to visit the various winter resorts along the coast.

Much apprehension is felt for the safety of the passengers, as the yacht should have reported at some point several days ago.

Tortured and Robbed.

Millersburg, Ohio, Jan. 16.—Henry Kiefer, a Mechanic township farmer, who lives alone, was held up by four masked men in his barn Saturday night and robbed of \$24. The robbers suspected he had more money in his house, and they burned him badly by holding him on the cook stove. They failed to extort more money and let him go.

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THROUGH THE SUEZ CANAL FOR MANILA

The Transport Grant to Leave
New York Tomorrow.

Expects to Reach the Philippines
in Forty-five Days.

General Lawton and Staff, With
Companies of Regular Infantry,
on Board.

New York, Jan. 16.—The first perfected transport of the United States Army, and the first troopship to sail from the port of New York direct to Manila, leaves the foot of Pacific Street, in Brooklyn, tomorrow, bound for the Philippines.

The fine new United States transport Grant is to carry Gen. Lawton and staff and the Fourth Regiment of Infantry and one battalion of the Seventeenth Infantry, 1,800 men, all regulars.

The officer immediately in command of the sixteen companies on board the Grant will be Gen. Robert Hall, who was colonel of the Fourth Infantry.

The navy will be represented on the ship by the rank of lieutenant.

The Grant will go through the Suez Canal. The first stop will be for coal at Gibraltar. The next coaling station will be Port Said, the next at some point in the China Sea and yet selected whence the troopship will sail for Manila.

The voyage, it is thought, will take forty-five days.

The Grant was the Mohawk, of the Atlantic Transport line, which was bought by the Government at the outbreak of the war and fitted up in a crude way for carrying soldiers. When the war ended, however, the Government determined to keep the Mohawk it was decided to make her a model troopship, and to use every idea in the upper deck in use for mess rooms, the building of previous transport, both in this country and elsewhere.

The name of the ship was changed to Grant, in honor of the great civil war general, and she was sent to Bath, Me., where the Bath Iron Works took a contract to make the necessary alterations for \$85,000. But before the work had been completed the Government had expended \$135,000.

Marvels have been accomplished by the contractors, especially when it is considered that the ship was, at first building, a freighter.

The vessel is 332 feet long, 55 feet beam and 24 feet depth of hold. Its tonnage is 2,082. It has twin screws and triple expansion engines.

The ship has been fitted to carry 2,170 enlisted men—2,500 men, including officers and crew.

The hold has been used for luggage and supplies, and the lock boxes of the men and the trunks and effects of the officers have been assigned certain sections. The ship contains three main decks, the first two from below having been fitted up into sleeping compartments. The bunks have been arranged in nests of ten, sometimes more. Their detail construction shows great ingenuity. Everything except the canvas beds and the ropes and holding it is of metal, the framework being of zinc iron piping. Each bed can be lifted bodily from its resting place, and a sick man can be carried by virtue of this arrangement to the hospital on his own bed as a litter.

The canvas on which the sleeper rests is detachable, and if infected can be thrown away, or, if simply soiled, can be washed and put back. The canvas coats 19 cents each. The bunks are lighted throughout by electricity.

Much thought has been devoted to the system of ventilation. The bunk compartments are ramified by zinc piping, branching out above and below each berth. Fans, large and powerful, propelled by electricity, blow either hot or cold air to every part of the ship.

The upper deck is used for mess rooms, which enable nearly all the men to eat at a sitting. On this deck also are the kitchens. The details have been so arranged that a regiment can be under the same discipline on ship as in its barracks.

The lavatories contain batteries of seventy porcelain washbowls, with hot and cold water, together with shower baths, and a regiment can be under the same discipline on ship as in its barracks.

BURGLAR SHOT TO KILL.

Desperate Intruder Fires Twice at Pastor Petersen's Wife.

New York, Jan. 16.—A burglar, surprised by Mrs. J. C. Petersen, in the bedroom of her home, at No. 247 Third Street, Jersey City, last night, drew a revolver and fired at her point blank.

The shot flew wide and the man, dashing from the house, turned near the front door and fired another futile shot at the woman. Then, after a wild chase through the streets, crowded at the time with churchgoers, he was run down and captured.

The murderous thief was identified as Thomas, alias "Red," Dugan, a notorious crook. Mrs. Petersen, who is the wife of the pastor of the German Lutheran Church, entered her bedroom about 9 o'clock last night. She was startled to see a man busily at work rifling the bureau drawers. She screamed, and the thief, drawing his revolver, exclaimed: "Keep quiet, damn you, or I'll kill you!" The woman could not repress a second cry and the shot followed.

Policeman Wolf, of the Second precinct, stopped the escaping burglar at Jersey avenue and First street. Dugan was about to pull the trigger of his revolver as the policeman brought him down, felling him to the ground. Then, before he could attempt further mischief, Wolf had disarmed him.

At the stationhouse the captive was recognized as Thomas, alias "Red," Dugan, whose picture is in the Express Gallery, and who has done time for various offenses.

The revolver was found on him. Dugan refused to make any statement or to tell where he lived, but the police know his home is in Railroad Avenue.

About two years ago he was wanted by the police, and when surprised by them at his home, he fled with his revolver, and made his escape to the street. There he leaped upon a truck, firing at the driver, who came after him, and thus escaped.

He was traced to the house of a relative on Jersey City Heights, and when Police Captain McNulty, of his Sixth precinct, entered, Dugan covered him with his revolver, but before he could shoot Capt. McNulty knocked the weapon from his hand and beat him into submission.

Marriage Licenses.

Marriage licenses were issued today to Robert Jones and Martha F. Wells; Hayes W. Turner and Ella Hill; Charles F. Hammond and Harriet McMahon; Samuel R. Holmes and Estelle M. Butler; Isaac Statton and Annie Campbell; William Patterson and Josephine Atkins.

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CAPE.

Electric seal capes, \$15.
Lot of ladies' fashionable electric seal capes, full 160 inch sweep—best quality seal-lined with heavy satin—the most fashionable garments made—worth \$25 for only \$15.

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JEALOUS RIVALS IN A FIGHT.

Flying Bullets Stamped Nocturnal Pedestrians—Nobody Injured.

New York, Jan. 16.—A quarrel over a girl led to a shooting affray on Stuyvesant Street at 2 o'clock this morning, which caused pedestrians to run panic-stricken to escape flying bullets. The girl was present when the affray began but disappeared in the confusion. Neither of the principals in the affair would reveal her name.

Bernard Stinder and Dominick O. Garlichu are the rivals. The former left the girl this morning and was approaching his home when he met Garlichu, who was evidently waiting for him. In a few moments the men were engaged in a heated argument. A mix-up followed and Garlichu drew his revolver and fired at Stinder. Stinder, yelling "murder," fled.

The other followed, firing his revolver as he kept up the chase. The shots, however, went wild.

Policeman Fitzpatrick seized Garlichu as he ran. The latter pointed his weapon at the officer's head but before he could pull the trigger the pistol was sent flying from his hand by a blow from a club.

Both men were placed under arrest.

TO ENTER WASHINGTON.

The Norfolk and Western Endeavoring to Reach This City.

Winchester, Va., Jan. 16.—It is reported on this date that the Norfolk and Western Railroad Company is endeavoring to purchase the Washington, Ohio and Western Railroad, which runs between Alexandria and Round Hill.

They will, should they succeed, complete the road to a junction on their line at Berryville or Boyce. This would give them an outlet, long sought, to Washington, and also serve as a connecting line with the Bismarck and Potomac Railroad, between Winchester and Bismarck, Va., which is projected with the view of reaching the Potomac River, and which could easily be extended the additional eight or ten miles necessary to complete the connection.

AN INTELLIGENT MONKEY.

Saves a House From Fire During Its Owner's Absence.

Belleville, Ill., Jan. 16.—Peter Minetti built a fire in his grate yesterday. Locked up the house and went away for a visit. She owned a pet monkey, which she keeps in a cage and was the only living thing in the house.

While she was gone a lump of burning coal fell to the floor and set fire to the carpet. The monkey saw the fire, jumped on the grate, and hurrying into the dining room, secured some articles of wearing apparel and threw them over the burning carpet, completely smothering the flames.

When Mrs. Minetti returned home the monkey was sitting beside its cage nursing two badly burned paws.

Neighbors are discussing the proposition to have the monkey made an honorary member of the fire department.

KILLS WIFE AND BABY AND THEN Attempts Suicide.

Clarksville, Tenn., Jan. 16.—News of a triple crime comes from Henry county. The place where the deed was committed is remote and particulars are meagre. A planter named Hudgins, while suffering from a temporary fit of insanity killed his wife and baby, and then cut his own throat.

He is not expected to recover.

THOUGHT DEVILS PURSUED HIM

Illinois Grip Victim Found Dead in a Ditch.

Kokomo, Ind., Jan. 16.—Henry Mater, one of the best-known young men in Kokomo, met a horrible death Saturday night. For a week he has been down with grip. Saturday night, while delirious, he escaped from his nurse and eluded his pursuers in the woods, west of town. He imagined he was pursued by devils, and ran blindly over ditches and through barbed wire fences.

He was not found until 9 o'clock yesterday morning, when his dead body was discovered in a ditch, where he had sunk exhausted, and died from exposure.

DISTRICT BUILDING NOTES.

Pullman Bruce, who was tried several days ago for neglect of duty, has been fined \$5. He has been warned that if the offense is repeated he will be dismissed.

The Commissioners have refused the request of Samuel B. B. of No. 122 F Street northwest, to place a table on O Street northwest, between Ninth and Tenth Streets, for the purpose of selling oysters.

Lieut. R. E. Boiesau, late of the First District of Columbia Volunteer Infantry, was reappointed to his position in the Engineer Department of the District government this morning. Lieut. Boiesau has been very ill since his return to this city, and has been unable to resume work until this week.

The Commissioners have informed W. J. Wilkerson, of No. 623 F Street northwest, that they have communicated with persons operating and maintaining boats at the bathing beach, and the latter have promised to refrain from moving their vessels as much as possible during the time the ice is on the water at the beach thick enough for skating purposes.

Announcement.

Moore & Leding's
Removal Sale.

25 Per Cent Discount.

Prior to our removal to F Street we must dispose of a large portion of our stock. In order to do this we make the extraordinary offer of 25 PER CENT DISCOUNT on all Diamonds, Watches, Fine Jewelry, Silver and Plated Ware (Forks and Spoons excepted). This sale will be for a few days only, and such an excellent opportunity for securing wedding gifts and household silver should not be lost.

MOORE & LEDING,
110 Pennsylvania Avenue.

DISTRICT SUPREME COURT IN SESSION

OPENING OF JANUARY TERM

Assignment of Justices and Changes Among Clerks—Decisions Handled Down.

The January term of the Supreme Court of the District, practically began this morning. All the branches of the court, with the exception of Criminal Court, No. 2, presided over during last term by Justice Bradley, were in session.

The different courts were presided over in accordance with the assignments made by the general term on January 3, last, which is as follows: Circuit Court, No. 1, Chief Justice Dingham; Circuit Court, No. 2, Justice Hager; Equity Court, No. 1, Justice Cox; Equity Court, No. 2, Justice Cole; Orphans' Court, Justice Bradley. On account of the illness of Chief Justice Dingham, Justice Bradley is presiding in Circuit Court, No. 1, and no reassignment has been made affecting Criminal Court, No. 2.

Justice Cox, sitting in Equity Court, No. 1, today handed down the decision in the matter of the exceptions of the property owners to the report of the commission appointed by the court to appraise the value of certain lands condemned in the vicinity of the Government Printing Office. The question was argued on last Friday by District Attorney Davis and Mr. D. W. Baker for the Government, and Geo. J. Hays, Sypher, Alexander H. Bell and Philip Walker for the landowners.

The exceptions to the report were overruled by Justice Cox, with the exception of some minor clerical errors, which the commission was instructed to correct and submit an amended report on Saturday.

Clement F. Wadley, who has instituted proceedings for divorce against his wife, Nellie J. Wadley, is ordered by Justice Cox to show cause before Friday why he should be relieved of his obligation to pay alimony to his wife during the pendency of the suit.

The first case called for trial before Justice Cole was the case of George Brown, colored, who is charged with housebreaking.

The jury returned a verdict of guilty against Brown. The Government was represented by Assistant District Attorney Joseph Shillington.

ANTI-SCALPING BILL.

Mr. Cullom Anxious to Secure Action on the Measure.

Senator Cullom, chairman of the Senate